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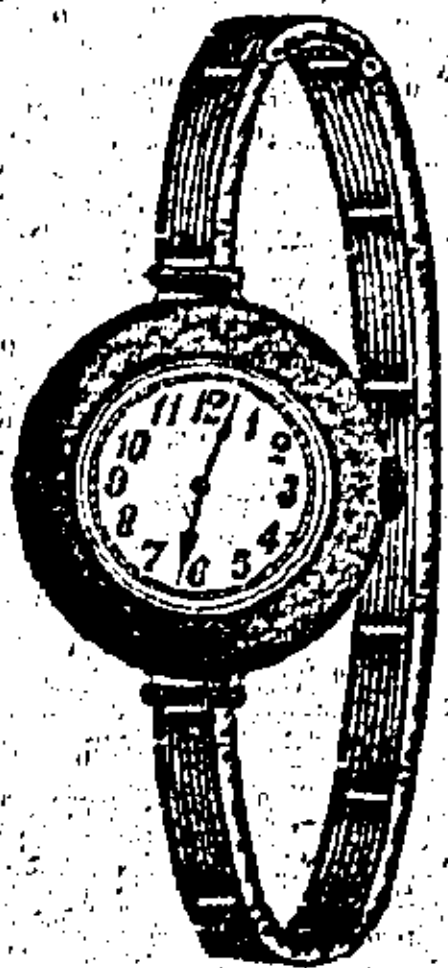
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II—Fire Funds \$3,837,047

III—Life & Annuity Funds \$17,967,590

Sinking Fund Account \$28,230

\$23,970,387

Revenue Fire Branch \$2,381,456

Life and Annuity \$2,141,593

Revenue Marine Department \$37,239

Other Receipts \$475,940

\$23,970,387

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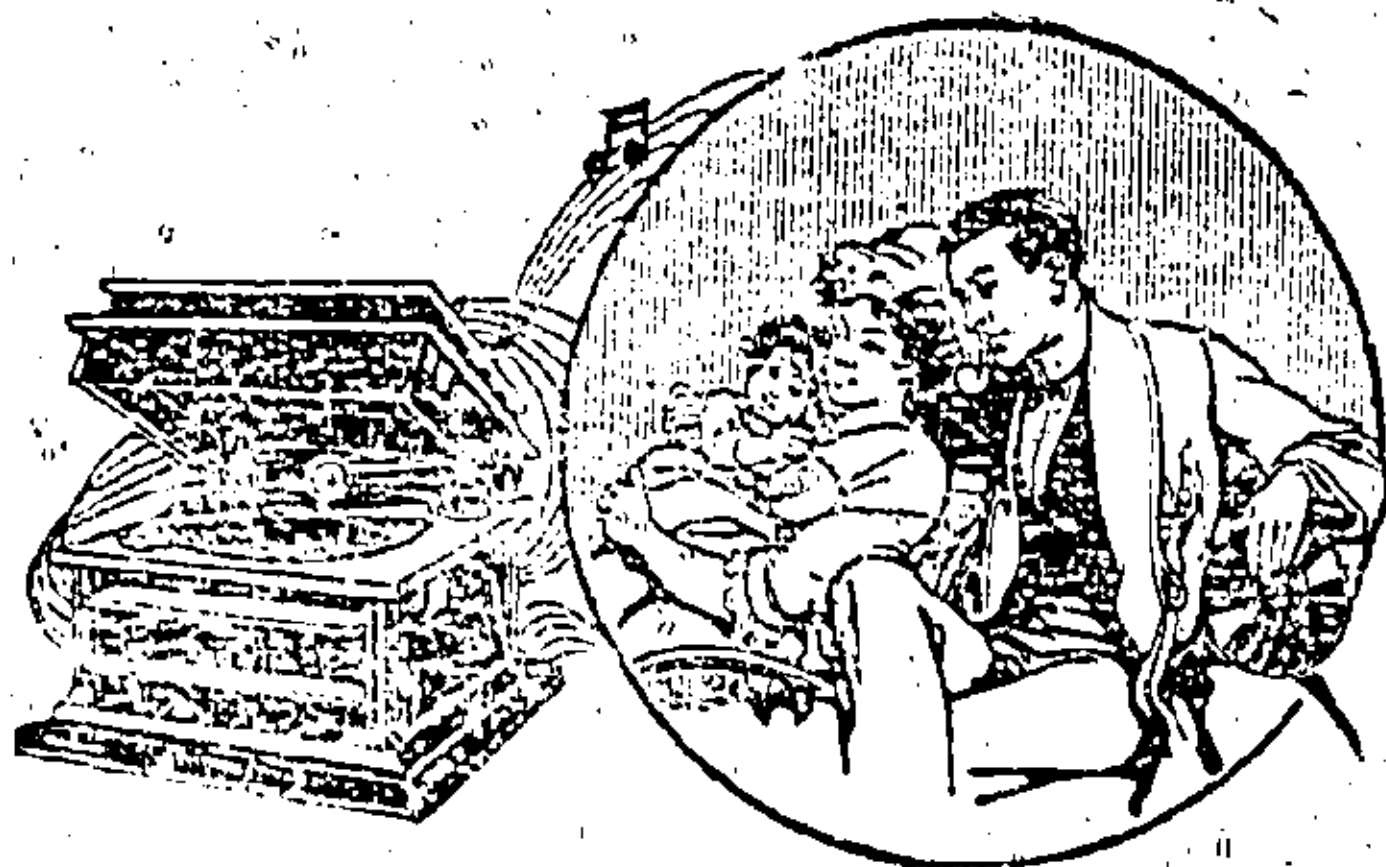
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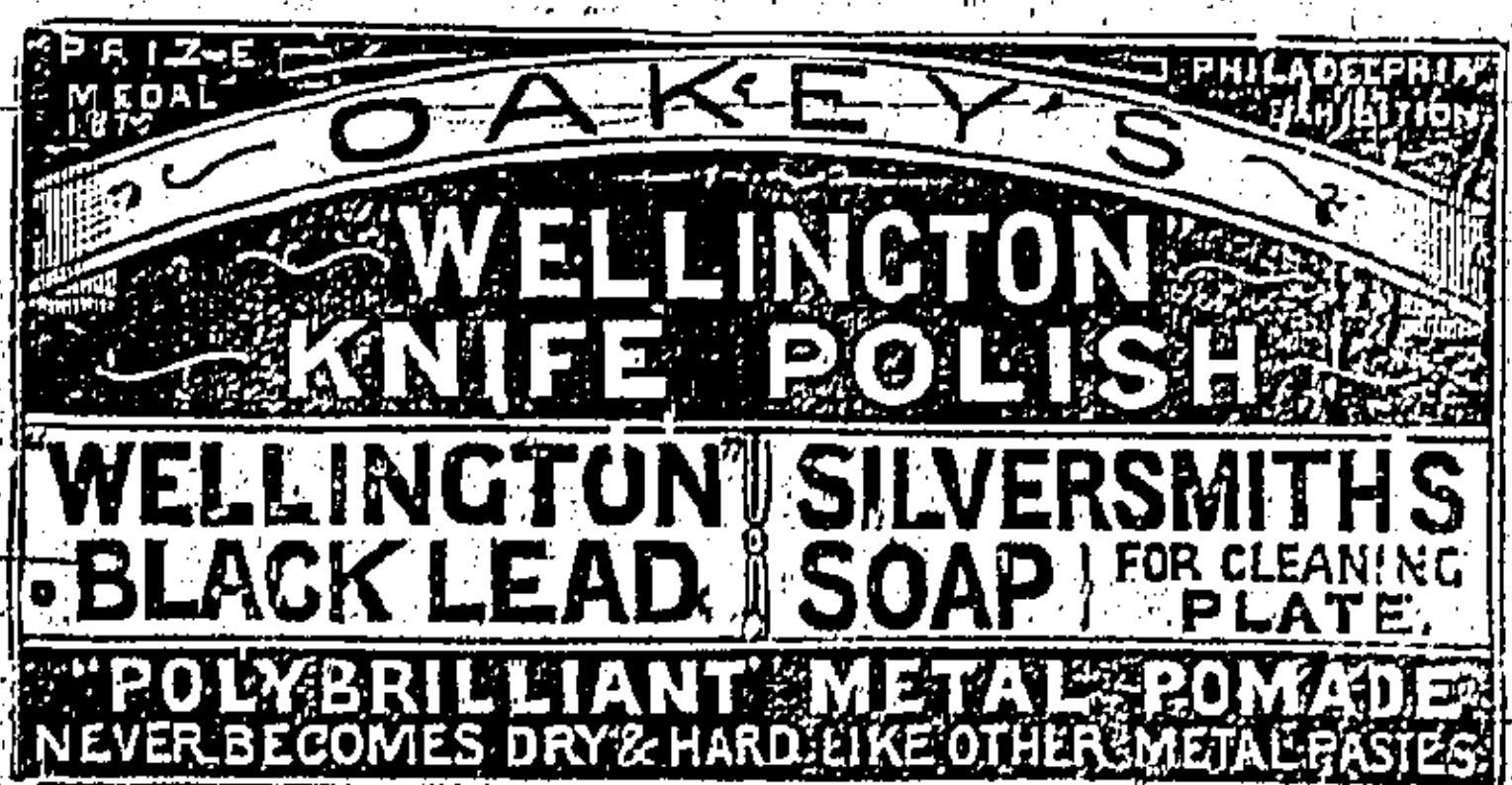


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Hongkong, Dec. 2, 1915. 1027

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AT THE
HONGKONG HOTEL.

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diners in the Hotel. These will take
place on the following nights:—

CHRISTMAS EVE

FRIDAY, 24th December, 1915.

BOXING DAY

MONDAY, 27th December, 1915.

NEW YEAR EVE

FRIDAY, 31st December, 1915.

By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel L.
A. WATSON and Officers the Band of the
74th Pembrokeshire Bandmaster Christmas
will be in attendance.

Special menus will be served in the
Grill Room at \$3.50 per head and in the
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J. H. TAGGART,

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Time Obvious.

I'm a poor old back, and I live alone
In a little back room, I call my own.
And life for me would be no joke
If I had not "Three Castles" Cigarettes to smoke.

CHORUS

Ha-ha-ha, you and me
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee.
Ha-ha-ha, you and me
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee.

(2)

When I go down to work each day
I've put to smoke upon my way,
I smoke the best in all the land
Which means Wills' "Three Castles" brand.

Chorus.

(3)

I can't afford to smoke cigars,
My slender pay that habit bars,
But I'm as pleased, it's common sense,
With a little Green Tin at 50 cents.

Chorus.

(4)

Like Johnson, it has proved its worth:
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Obtainable from East to West
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Chorus.

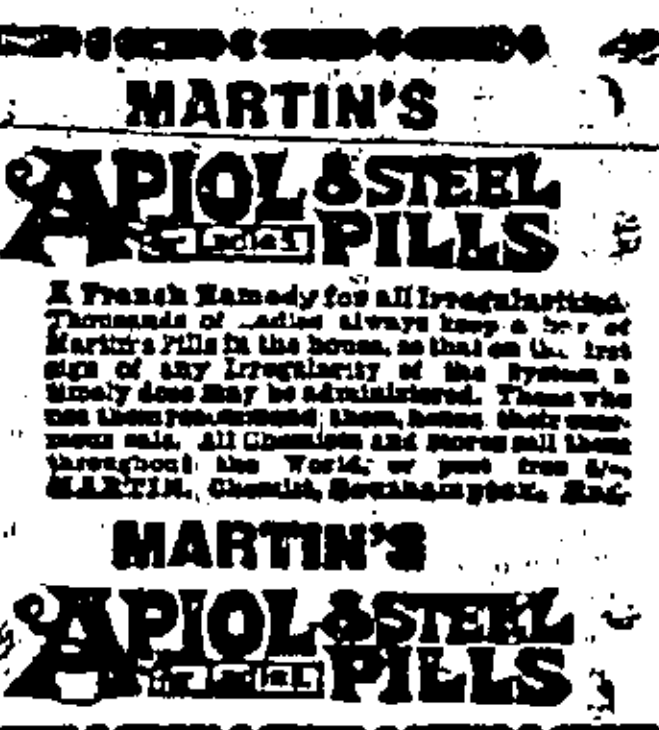
(5)

If I'd a tree that grew such leaf,
I'd pluck the foliage by the sheet;
Then lay me down with spirits light
And smoke "Magnums" all day and night.

CHORUS

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Ha-ha-ha, you and me
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee.

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THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.
THERAPION No. 1

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER
RESERVES.

Major Wakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R.

PRISONERS OF WAR CAMP GUARD AND GEN-
ERAL HILL DETACHMENT.

The H.K.V.R. will relieve the
H.K.V.C. on Monday, the 20th inst.

DETAILS.

Prisoners of War Camp:—

Monday, 20th inst., Secs. 1 and 2 of

A Co.

Tuesday, 21st inst., Secs. 1 and 2 of

B Co.

Wednesday, 22nd inst., Sec. 1 of C Co.

Thursday, 23rd inst., Secs. 3 and 4 of

A Co.

Friday, 24th inst., Secs. 3 and 4 of

B Co.

Saturday, 25th inst., Secs. 3 and 4 of

C Co.

Gun Club Hill:—

Monday, 20th inst., Secs. 3 and 4 of

A Co.

Tuesday, 21st inst., Secs. 3 and 4 of

B Co.

Wednesday, 22nd inst., Secs. 2, 3 and

4 of C Co.

Thursday, 23rd inst., Secs. 1 and 2 of

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Friday, 24th inst., Secs. 1 and 2 of

B Co.

Saturday, 25th inst., Sec. 1 of C Co.

MUSKETY.

All members of "A," "B" and
"C" Companies who have not fired Part
II. Standard Test (Trained Men) Mus-
ketry Course will attend at King's Park
Range on Wednesday, the 22nd inst., at
2.15 p.m.

PARADES.

Recruits will parade on the Cricket
Ground on Monday, the 20th inst.,
Wednesday, the 22nd inst., and Thurs-
day, the 23rd inst., at 5.15 p.m., under
Sergeant-Major Bond. Dress: drill order.

The Signalling Section will parade at
Volunteer Headquarters on Monday, the
20th inst., Wednesday, the 22nd inst.,
and Friday, the 24th inst., at 5.15 p.m.

Members will carry Messge, as well as
Semaphores, Flags. Messge forms must
be brought.

TRANSFER.

Pte. K. W. Grig is transferred from
Co. "C" Sec. 2 to Co. "E" Sec. 3.

POSTINGS.

Pte. A. G. Howitt having joined is
allotted Corps No. 568 and posted to
Co. "C" Sec. 2.

Pte. W. H. Hewitt having joined is
allotted Corps No. 569 and posted to
Co. "B" Sec. 2.

RESIGNATION.

Pte. J. Robertson, "B" Co. Sec. 4,
is permitted to resign on leaving the
Colony.

THE PRINCESS OF WALES'

CHRISTMAS GIFT.
Any member entitled to the above gift
should apply on Monday, the 20th inst.,
to the O.C. H.K.V.R. for same.

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how to start a business of your own
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business at your own
home, and under your
own ownership. If you
are making \$75 or \$100
or \$200 a year and really
want to make \$300 or
\$1,000 or more a year, I
can show you how.

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or what you are doing; no
matter how low your
salary, or how poor your prospects; no
matter how discontented or discouraged
you are; no matter how incapable of
achievement your friends or family may
think you are—you can at once become the
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the money roll in to you at every visit of
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will, from this date, be held responsible
for the equipment issued to the men.
The equipment book is kept in the
Side Room, wherein must be noted:—

(1) Total Equipment found when coming
on duty.

(2) Equipment drawn.

(3) Equipment returned.

(4) Total Equipment left when going off
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Canard Crew Refuse to Sail With Them.

The following is taken from a London
paper of the 8th ult.:—

The Cunard Steamship Company will not
in future accept the bookings of any men
who are eligible for service with the Forces.
They announced this fact officially on
Saturday, and a notice which is being sent
to their agents reads: "Until further
advised, please note that we cannot accept
the bookings of British subjects who are
fit and eligible for military service."

This step was the culminating point of a
series of extraordinary happenings in
Liverpool. A Canard liner was due to sail
for New York, and among those who had
booked passages were over five hundred
Irishmen. They were sturdy, well-set-up
men, who came from distant parts of
Ireland to sail from Liverpool. They were
lined up in a big queue waiting their turn
to enter the company's office to complete
the preliminaries incidental to their
departure, when a staff of khaki-clad
recruiters, some representatives of Irish
regiments, appeared on the scene. They
appealed to the Irishmen to enlist and
give up the idea of going away, but they
were unresponsive to any suggestion.

The number of people in the streets
increased rapidly, and the Irishmen had
to run the gauntlet of much chaff and invec-
tive. As they lined up alongside the vessel
the recruiters redoubled their efforts, but
made little impression. It was then that
an unexpected and dramatic incident oc-
curred. The crew of the liner made a protest,
the freemen leading the way. They made
it clear that they would not sail if the liner
had to carry so many men who were thought
to be eligible for the Army. This action
was promptly approved by the company,
and it was announced that no British
subject who was eligible for service would
be taken as a passenger.

The liner sailed at last without the
eligible, and as she moved away the
soldiers on the quay gave the crew
some rousing cheers. The disappointed
emigrants went off in groups and few
escaped the satire of the crowd. All who
were deterred from sailing will have their
passage money returned.

Much the same scene occurred at Glas-
gow. In this case, however, 200 emigrants
sailed amid cries of "You're a hopeless
crew!" Following Liverpool's lead, how-
ever, the Scottish companies trading in the
North Atlantic have decided not to book
British subjects eligible for military service
until further notice.

An important banking combine is
pending, says The Times, between
Barclays, Limited, and the United
Overseas Bank, Limited. The former of
these was already one of the largest joint
stock banks, its business centering in the
Metropolitan and Eastern area of England,
deposits having accumulated of well over
470,000,000. The United Overseas Bank,
which is at first exhibited as far back as
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Tender Forms must be properly filled
up, signed and dated, and delivered in an
envelope marked "TENDER FOR FORAGE
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\$100 as a guarantee of good faith, which
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Hongkong, Dec. 17, 1915. 1079

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FRANCE'S SOBRIETY.

Preservation of Population Problem.

The French Government is seriously
tackling the question of "spirit" traffic.
After suppressing the privileges of the
"bouilleurs de cru," or small distillers,
and limiting the number of licensed
houses, and then restricting the sale of
spirits to all men in uniform, a decree
is now about to be issued prohibiting
absolutely the sale of all spirituous
liquors before noon, and forbidding any
sale to women and children at any hour.

A NEW WAR BOMB FROM
CEYLON.

A Colombo paper of November 25 says:
A medical man up-country has invented a
powerful incendiary war bomb, the formula
for which he has forwarded to the ministry
of munitions and inventions, London. In
response to an appeal which appeared in
the newspapers from Mr. R. W. Mohr, the
co-pilot, the bomb is one with four
compartments with brittle divisions and
contains quantities of two powerful
ad's, alcohol and cotton wool. If
it is established, it may prove to
be of importance. It burns when shot
through a gun or dropped from an air
machine, and it is said the explosion is
followed by volumes of poisonous and
irrespirable fumes and bursts of flame.

The King, who has just given one of
his most valuable stamps—a ninepenny
stamp of the Victorian era—to the special
war fund which the British philatelists
have started, has been a keen collector
himself since his childhood days, and it
is hardly necessary to say that his collection
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overcoming and expelling disease, and whatever form met with, removing all
unhealthy patches, &c. Its effects are almost magical in the treatment of gout, rheumatism,
sciatica, lumbago, pains and swellings of the joints, diarrhoea, dysentery, cholera, typhoid fever,
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SHIPPING ACCIDENT AT
SINGAPORE.

A Peculiar Mishap.

The "City of Colombo," 3,000 tons,
one of the Ellerman Line steamers, col-
lided in Singapore harbour on the 6th
inst. with the steamer "Irismer," 2,311
tons net. The latter vessel was berthed
at what is known as the north wall, im-
mediately opposite the entrance to the
wet dock at Tanjong Pagar. The "City
of Colombo" was coming in and struck
the "Irismer" amidships, staying in
her plates and making a hole of dimen-
sions which made her plight a serious
one. One of the holds in the damaged
vessel began to fill and before the cool,
with which the vessel was laden, could be
handled the "Irismer" began to settle
down. The dock, however, is only thirty
feet deep and by this time it was low tide
and so, although she touched bottom,
there was no question of her being sub-
merged. The "City of Colombo" came
out of the collision with no damage what-
ever.

The nature of the damage having been
ascertained, no time was lost in setting
about the unloading of the "Irismer,"
although when high tide set in it was no
easy task. The work was carried on
during the night and by the following
morning the vessel had been emptied.
Further examination showed that the
damage was not quite so serious as had
been thought, though had she been in
deep water it would, no doubt, have been
sufficient to send her to the bottom. As
it is, she is to be patched up sufficiently
to permit of her being taken round to the
King's Dock.

With regard to the question of a direct
wireless communication with Netherlands
India, it appears that in reply to a ques-
tion put to him by the Minister for the
Colonies to his opinion on the subject,
the Governor-General of that Colony
proposed to the Minister that he should
co-operate in establishing such a com-
munication. The Minister is now discussing
the subject with the Minister for Water-
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TOY MAKING IN JAPAN.

Exports Increase and Quality of Goods
Improves.

The export of Japanese toys in 1905
was only 600,000 yen, but it grew to
1,497,000 in 1910, and to 2,561,000 yen
in 1914, an increase of 329 per cent. in
nine years. The destinations comprise
over 30 countries, the greatest purchaser
being the United States; England, China,
British India, Australia, Hongkong, and
the South Sea Islands follow in the order
given. The United States buys about 40
per cent. of Japan's toy exports, but that
country buys more from Germany than
she buys from Japan. It is said that of
all the toys the United States imports
Germany has formerly supplied over 80
per cent. Japanese toys coming next in
amount. England, Austria-Hungary,
France, and Belgium following in the
order given.

The Japanese toy industry was origi-
nally carried out in the spare time of the
poorer families and its development as a
factory industry is but of very recent
years. But even at present the amount
turned out from factories is very small
compared with that made by family
workers. In Tokio most of the sewing
work is being done in Nippori and Seijin,
in the North-eastern suburb of the city,
while the tinners from sheet works are in
Asakusa, Shitaya, Honjo, and Kanda and
Futatabi yards. Many of the cheaper
toys are made in Osaka but mostly in
the homes. But from the increasing ten-
dency of export, the time is now ripe for
Japanese business men to open factory
production on a somewhat larger scale
and pay for more brain work to adapt the
product to foreign children's liking. The
comparative cheapness of German toys
with their excellent quality is entirely due
to the advanced condition of factory
industry. In Japan, the economy in the
cost of production can only be possible
by the evolution of the industry from
home work to organized factory produc-
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\$20 a Case.

3 pts. Medoc Superieur, 2 bots. Light Dry Sherry,
2 bots. Full Rich Port, 2 bots. Gin, 1 bot. xxxxx Brandy,
2 bots. Red Seal Whisky.

\$25 a Case.

1 qt. Louis Roederer Champagne, 1 qt. Sparkling Red
Burgundy, 1 qt. Old White Port, 1 qt. Vino de Paste Sherry,
3 pts. Medoc Superieur, 1 qt. Graves, 2 bots. B. & W. Whisky
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THE DIARY.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

2 p.m.—Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Bazaar on R. C. Cathedral Compound.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Prince George's Birthday. (1902).
11 a.m.—Extraordinary General Meeting of the Union Assurance Society of Canton, Ltd.
11.15 a.m.—Extraordinary General Meeting of the China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Curios at Messrs. Hughes and Hogg's.
5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, Dec. 21.—
8.55 p.m.—Full Moon.
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 22.—
H.K. Stock Exchange Settlement Day.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Pianos, Carpets etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hogg's.
FRIDAY, Dec. 24.—
Christmas Eve Dance at the Hongkong Hotel.
SATURDAY, Dec. 25.—
Christmas Day—Public Holiday.
MONDAY, Dec. 27.—
Boxing Day Dance at the Hongkong Hotel.
TUESDAY, Dec. 28.—
President Wilson's Birthday (1856).
FRIDAY, December 31.—
Hogmanay.
New Year's Eve Dance at the Hongkong Hotel.

VISITING CARDS

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hopes of his Serene Highness. As the Germans appear to be absolutely devoid of humour, it is not surprising that this princeling should conclude his proclamation with the following choice piece of unconscious humour, namely, "Your Imperial Master will be in your midst in a few days, to spur you on to fresh triumphs." Now, it is notorious—and nowhere more so than among the German troops themselves—that the appearance of their august "master" almost invariably leads to some serious disaster for the Teutonic troops; therefore, one need not have a very glowing imagination to picture the smile of contempt with which the Austro-German troops will read the sentence "with which the courtly Prince concludes his proclamation." And as to "fresh triumphs"; if this remark has reference to anything at all, it cannot refer to German "triumphs" in the West, for these have been, since the great set-back on the Marne, quite conspicuous by their absence. The German troops, it should always be borne in mind, are the invaders in France, and consequently "it is for them to make headway—if they can. Instead, they have been gradually, bit by bit, pushed towards the Belgian frontier; and even in the north of Belgium, where they had every opportunity of establishing themselves shortly after the beginning of hostilities, they have on many occasions received decisive checks. Wherein, therefore, lies the truth of their claim to "fresh triumphs." We do not doubt that should an important offensive movement on the West front be attempted now by the enemy that they will find the Anglo-French troops thoroughly prepared not only to resist but to make further advance.

The lull in the Balkans is believed to be a "significant" but for all that it may only mean that the situation brought about by recent operations—which were of a very active and doubtless of an exhausting nature—has resulted in a situation best described as "stalemate."

The reported second "Egyptian expedition" of the Germans need not, meaning, be taken too seriously, as it is certain that they will find more difficulties and an even more stubborn resistance than on their last futile attempt—and, in all probability, a more decisive defeat.

There has been very little news from the Eastern Front, probably owing to the fact that operations there have been of necessity in abeyance owing to the rigorous winter that invariably prevails in Russia. We learn, however, that in the Dvinsk region the Germans are again contemplating an attack and that they are still as near Riga as ever they were—not nearly so near as they should like and quite near enough for the peace of the city in question. An absolutely impartial view of the German invasion of Russia reveals that, despite their occasional local retreats, the Russians were by no means the losers in the end.

The news from the other fronts is fragmentary, but it is of such a nature that it justifies the enemies of the modern Hun and Yandals in believing that though their task is a heavy one, yet victory complete and decisive will inevitably be theirs.

CHARGE AGAINST A EUROPEAN.

Prisoner Discharged.

V. C. Parr, charged with unlawfully using money belonging to Parr and Co., Ltd., Des Voeux Road, for his own use, was again brought before Mr. Wood this morning.
Mr. J. H. Gardiner said he had no further charge to add, and that he had been instructed to offer no evidence on the present charge.
His Worship: What has happened?
Mr. Hind (appearing for the defence): There is no case at all. The money has been expended in the Company's business.
Mr. Hind protested against this and remarked—that unless the charge was answered by the defendant the defendant should be given an opportunity of disproving it.
Mr. Wood: That is so.
Mr. Gardiner: Then I unreservedly withdraw.
Defendant was then discharged.

THE BEST COUGH MEDICINE.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy is the largest selling cough medicine in the world to-day, because it does exactly what a cough medicine is supposed to do. It stops coughs, and cures colds, and is perfectly safe. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

We have been asked to mention that Messrs. Moutrie and Co. will remain open up to 8 p.m. during Christmas week.

The family of the private secretary who was assassinated with the admiral Tseng Ju-cheng has been granted an annual pension of \$240 for three years by the Chinese Government.

Owing to the 25th, 26th and 27th December being Bank and Government Holidays, the sailing of the s.s. "Shinyo Maru" has been postponed from the 28th to the 29th December.

Mr. Hazland, died a Chinaman, charged by Inspector P. O'Sullivan with keeping an opium den, \$150 or three months imprisonment. Ten others found smoking on the premises were each fined \$2 or 5 days.

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha Co.'s steamer "Owita Maru," loaded with Foochow poles from Foochow, was badly ashore last Saturday on the Butten, near Outfall. The Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co.'s tow boat "Victoria" was sent to her. Her No. 1 and 2 holds were full of water.

A Chinese who was banished for five years on Dec. 2nd and sent out of the Colony on Dec. 10th in Mr. Hazland's Court today charged with larceny and sentenced to a month's hard labour. For returning from banishment he was sentenced to a further 6 months and 4 hours' stocks.

"I'm through with the Philippines, things are too slow for me in these unskilled jobs; let me join the British Army and have a chance at the Turks," said Thomas Ward, a discharged soldier of the United States Army, as he was arrested in Manila recently for illegal possession of cocaine. Ward was making arrangements for his departure when detained by the slouch on Calle Duemariam. Ward told the detectives that he was a discharged soldier and wanted to go to Hongkong to enlist in the British Army.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. James Russell, the British Postmaster at Shanghai has sailed for London.

Sir Robert Dane, the Salt Adviser, has completed his mission in the province of Chekiang.

Mr. T. Sammons, United States Consul-General at Shanghai, and his wife have returned to the East. Mr. Sammons has been on a furlough trip of six months.

Mr. Oba, the First Secretary of the Japanese Legation at Peking, who has been appointed Consul-General at Moukden will shortly leave Peking for his new post.

Among residents shortly returning to the Colony from England are Mr. Owen Hughes by the "Abuta Maru," Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Griffin by the s.s. "Yasaka Maru."

The engagement is announced of Mr. George Sinclair Moss, of H.B.M. Consular Service in China, and Gladys Lucy, only daughter of Mr. G. A. Moore, of Baginbun, Spital, Cheshire.

Captain Raymond A. Nugent, R.N., who has been reported wounded, served on the China Station as first officer of H.M.S. "Bombardeur" during the Boxer rebellion, 1900, and served another commission on this Station later.

Mr. W. A. Donaldson, who during the past three years and nine months has been Editor of the China Mail, relinquishes that position to-day and, as previously announced, has been succeeded by Mr. B. A. Hale, who will act as Manager and Editor. Mr. Donaldson, whose health has been indifferent for some considerable time, has been making a trip to the interior and north of China, thence to Korea and Japan. Subsequently, he will, on returning to Hongkong, leave for Home to engage in London journalism.

ORGAN RECITAL.

Mr. Denman Fuller, F.R.C.O., L.B.A.M., will present the following programme at his Recital in St. John's Cathedral on Monday evening:—
Sonata in F minor.....Mendelssohn
Solo....."Comfort".....Corleide Taylor
Mr. G. D. Fitzpatrick.
Pastorale.....Hymn 61.
Night.....S. Karp-Ewert.
Recit. and Air....."For behold dark seas shall cover the earth".....Handel.
Mr. G. D. Fitzpatrick.
Fantasy.....J. O. Bridge.

THE CHILDREN'S COLDS.

WATCH the children's colds and cures them before they weaken the vitality. Use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy freely. It is perfectly safe. It has been tested by chemists and pronounced free from injurious substances and costs but a trifle. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

KWANGTUNG FLOOD RELIEF FUND.

The Tung Wa Hospital begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the Kwangtung Flood Relief Fund—
For Hong Choon Tung, Peking \$ 573.00
already acknowledged 574.519.10
Total.....\$574,519.10

MARRIAGE AT CANTON.

On Wednesday evening, the 15th inst., Dr. John Allen Hoffman was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Victoria Jones at the Second Presbyterian Church of Canton. The ceremony officiating were Rev. Wm. D. Noyes and Rev. Wong Yok Shing. The church was beautifully decorated with ferns and cypripediums and the ceremony was witnessed by a large number of friends.

After the formal ceremonies a reception was given in the chapel on the compound of the Tung Light Seminary, and refreshments were served by the students of that institution and the Medical College of Kung Yee Hospital.

Dr. Hoffman came to Canton several years ago to work in the Hospital for Mental Incompetents in Fung Chuen. After serving there for five years he returned to Ohio, U.S.A., for a well-earned vacation, after which he associated himself with Dr. Todd and his work in Kung Yee Hospital and Medical College. The bride came to Canton about two years ago to teach in the Tung Light Seminary where her sweet personality has won her hosts of friends. Dr. and Mrs. Hoffman will reside on the Compound of the Canton Hospital. Their numerous friends unite in wishing them abundant happiness and success.

PROPOSED REMOVAL OF KIANGNAN ARSENAL.

Chinese reports state that at a special conference of the Ministers of State it was decided to remove the Kiangnan Arsenal to a more suitable place, owing to the harm done to trade in Shanghai by periodical disturbances and rebels using the foreign settlements as a base for operations.

It is stated that the Government has undeniable evidence that the last outbreak was instigated by Dr. Sun Yat-sen's party.

CHINA AND THE WAR SETTLEMENT.

At Manchester University last month Mr. P. M. Roxby, Lecturer in Geography at the University of Liverpool, gave an address upon "Britain and the Far East." The Bishop of Manchester presided.

Mr. Roxby said China was the crux of our Eastern policy. Far Eastern history was very little read or studied in Great Britain, and he hoped that the public opinion had no very definite view of our relations with the Far East. When the great world settlement came to be made after the war the Far East would demand as careful treatment as our hands and our feet.

Mr. Roxby said that the Chinese question would involve the raising of very delicate issues between ourselves and others, and that pointed to the desirability of the Chinese question being frankly faced while the Allies were still united and still animated by the desire to remove as far as possible all causes of future wars.

Based on his address on recent personal observations in China and the Far East, Mr. Roxby said it was a mistaken opinion that the political weakness of China was a symptom of race decay. Those who understood the past history of China would understand why she was politically weak as the Chinese revolution, he said, was the weakness, inefficiency, and degeneracy of the Manchu section which gave strength to the revolutionaries and led to the success of the revolution. Its ultimate failure had been due to the fact that the revolutionaries, he said, had not been able to develop the strong central Government which was desired.

WORK FOR THREE GENERATIONS.

Mr. Roxby dealt with the political relations which existed between China, Japan, and Russia and pointed to the new influences which were being created by the spread in China of Western ideas. He said that China should be preserved and that British influence should be maintained in that country. The Chinese had all the qualities necessary to the making of a great nation, as he understood the word nation. The reorganisation and transformation of China must be undertaken by the Chinese themselves, and taking into account the weakness of the country, take at least three generations to effect, and during the period the integrity of China must be guaranteed internationally. It was Great Britain and he thought he might add, the United States which would have by far the greatest influence in securing that guarantee. We could secure it to some extent by playing a far larger part in promoting the transition of China itself. The education problem was the crux of the situation. The future lay, he believed, largely in the training which the Chinese student was getting at the present time, and the regrettable fact was that Great Britain was playing practically no part, or a very small part, in the giving of that education.

A GERM DESTROYER.

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COMPANY MEETING.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

An extraordinary general meeting of the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., was held at the office of the Company to-day. There were present:—Mr. W. L. Patterson (Chairman), Messrs. J. A. Plummer, J. W. C. Bonnar, the Hon. Mr. E. Shollin, Mr. R. Shewan (Director), Mr. O. Fomberton (Secretary), Messrs. F. Smyth, A. E. Casspell, F. B. L. Bowley, R. P. Thurstall, G. C. Moran, S. G. Newall, W. Dunbar, T. H. Farnes, T. G. Wall, D. C. Beadle, H. I. Jones, C. F. de Carvalho, A. K. M. de Silva, Chan A. Pak, Chang Ngoo Sang and Leung Yan Po.

The Chairman said:—As you are aware, the only purpose of this meeting is to confirm the resolution passed at the extraordinary general meeting held on Dec. 3rd, 1915, (will now move, as a special resolution, that the following resolution be confirmed:—

That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—
(a) Article 19 shall be cancelled.
(b) In Article 50 in lieu of the words "Twenty-one clear days notice" there shall be substituted the words "Ten days notice at least of every meeting."
(c) The following article shall be substituted for Article 53, namely:—
"Except as otherwise provided by these articles no business shall be transacted at any meeting unless a quorum or by proxy shall have one vote for every share held by him."
(d) Article 64 shall be altered by striking out all words after the words "upon adding after such words" "present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share held by him."
Mr. Shewan seconded, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

HONGKONG NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Hongkong, Dec. 15.

TRADE.—This port has been as busy as usual during the last few months. The number of steamers for this season, and year have passed through the Straits, and only one has gone ashore at Hainan Head.

COOLIE TRAFFIC.—Coolies are leaving for the Straits Settlements and for Siam, though not in the numbers that left before the European war began.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS.—The streets of Hongkong are really being improved. Two markets take most of the selling of meat and fish of the streets. Most of the streets are well paved, and the one on which the Chinese Post Office and Customs House is located is now being paved, and when the work is finished it will be one of the best paved streets in Hongkong.

"REBELLOUS" DISTRICTS.—It is reported that there is fighting between the Leis and Hansees at the south of the Island, and there are some rebellious districts in the interior, but on the whole the Island is quiet, and the people are busy harvesting and marketing their rice crop, which has suffered from long rainy seasons during September and October, so that in some places they fear a famine.

CLOTH WEAVING.—One of changes that is to be noted in Hongkong is that the people in different parts of the town are weaving cloth. They use imported yarn of different kinds and are making some very good samples cloth.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CO.

Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

LEAVE.

Pto. R. Anderson from 18. 12. 13 to 18. 1. 14.

PARADES.

Parade for Sunday, 19th inst.

9.30 a.m. Muster at King's Park Range, as detailed in Corps Order No. 4 dated 13. 12. 13.

2.30 p.m. Belchers Section and Scout Company, as detailed in Corps Order No. 1 dated 15. 1. 14.

Dress etc. In addition to the articles enumerated in Corps Order No. 1 dated 15. 12. 13, four pouches will be worn.

Parades for Monday, 20th inst.

7.00 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. Members of Signalling Section and other Signallers, as detailed in Signalling Section Order dated 8. 12. 13. Semaphore and Morse Lamp practice at Headquarters.

DRESS.

Guz Club Hill, Kowloon.—

On duty until morning of 20th inst. 1. Sec. Art. Batty, and Left Sec. M. G. Co. V.

Office on duty, Lieut. Recs.

Next for duty, H.R. V.R.

P. of W. Camp, Kowloon.—

On duty to-night Civil Police Company.

Office on duty, Lieut. C. Smith.

Art. Batty, and the following members of Sig. Sec.—Ptes. F. A. Reis, B. Hurle, A. Ribeiro, H. W. Pamey and W. Wilkinson.

Office on duty, Lieut. Danby.

Orderly Sergeant until morning of 20th inst. Corpse, A. A. Bolton.

Next for duty H.R.V.R.

SIKHS IN SHANGHAI.

On the occasion of the anniversary of Guru Nanak Singh's birthday, in the Sikh Gurdwara, Shanghai, and in the presence of a large and representative Sikh congregation, the following resolution was passed unanimously with the request that the same should be conveyed to H.M. Consul-General:—"All true Sikhs in Shanghai desire to express their loyalty to the British Raj and will devote their energies and means to assist the British Government. The bad characters now in Shanghai, and those endeavouring to annoy the Government in India, are not true Sikhs, and this meeting of Sikhs pledges itself to assist in felling the efforts of these bad characters. It will assist the British Consul-General and the police in arresting these bad characters."

WAR ON GERMAN TRADE.

WILLY TEUTON TACTICS IN CHINA.

Mr. C. A. W. Ross, who is Assistant British Commercial Attaché in China, is the author of the following article, which appeared in the "Evening Standard" (London) last month:—

Much has been said and written on the capture of German trade in China, and although much has been learned that is useful, there exists a good deal of confusion of thought. China trade is divided into four classes: (1) Great financial groups representing leading treaty powers; (2) manufacturing firms who are able to finance their own businesses and establish a virtual monopoly; (3) piece goods auctioneers selling the products of Lancashire; (4) the merchant houses which import and handle every business promising fair profits and quick returns.

The first three are full of life, and British interests are holding their own under these heads. I propose to deal with the fourth.

German firms do not pay large salaries in China, but every head of department has a generous share of the profits he brings to the firm. Similar treatment is accorded to the Chinese staff. Heads of departments keep in close touch with Chinese—sustaining them, learn their customs, their habits of thought and language. It is impossible to lay too much stress on the last point. Several of the most successful British firms are encouraging the study of language, and they find it pays them to do so.

Again, the Germans create business. When a prospect of a contract arises, they go to the headquarters of industrial activity in the country. It is useless to wait for demand to stimulate supply. The demand must be created. Within the last few years the Chinese have been taught to use kerosene oil, lamps, cigarettes, cotton thread, needles, matches, electric light and power stations, flour and oil mills, pumps and steamboats.

German firms create a demand. British firms often wait for the demand to come to them. It may be known in Shanghai that a cotton mill is likely to be erected in a interior. The German firm sends up a representative (usually in textiles a British representative) with pictures, a magnetometer, and a Chinese lecturer, who gives a real idea of cost and profit.

THE men who are doing the pioneer work for German firms in China are selling specialists. The men who are succeeding are those with good business instincts, energy, and all-round knowledge of their particular departments.

German firms have got behind the first line of defence with piece goods. German agents are travelling in every province in the interior carrying samples and booking orders by telegraph. Where German firms have succeeded, surely British firms can succeed. Japan is breaking new ground every year, and even Russia has opened up new markets and created new trade with priced cottons.

The commercial struggle in China is only just beginning, and although British firms still hold the first line, foreign (German) competitors are setting behind it, penetrating to the very centres of supply and demand. There is one method of supply and demand which has been used by German firms with success—namely, the technical bureau. These are groups of non-competitive manufacturers in Germany who are unwilling to incur the expense of individual representation in China, but who are determined to find an opening in that market.

CREATING EXPERTS.—They send out a joint representative to join an established and well-connected firm in China. That firm supplies him with special knowledge, and he does the work of advising and suggesting. When orders are forthcoming they go direct to the manufacturers of that group. In this way German manufacturers have been able to secure orders.

As to exports, German firms have practically created the business in Chinese export produce during the last few years. They have established an elaborate machinery in the interior, with foreign buying agents and appliances for storing, cleaning, and packing their cargo. It has paid the Germans well.

Speaking generally, German business is conducted on sound lines, and they do not lose money by giving credit without suitable security.

The "Board of Trade Journal" makes the announcement that a number of firms in the United Kingdom have commenced the production of articles principally obtained in enemy countries, including:—Epsom salts, wire stitching machinery, for tassels, canvas, canvases, cloth, beads, celluloid push buttons, and wood containers for ink-cartridges.

BELGIAN REFUGEES IN ENGLAND.

Lady Lugard's Hospitality Fund.

The Lady Lugard Hospitality Fund for the Special Relief of Better-class Belgian Refugees is appealing for further funds to carry on its work, which naturally continues so long as the war is in progress. Amongst the donations received up to September 30th were:—
Montague Ede, Esq. (collected in Hongkong), £400; Shanghai collection, £350; Mrs. Ede (collected in Hongkong), £224; 7s.; Lau Cha Pak, £200; Hongkong (Snowball bag collection), £180 4s. 11d.; St. Haviland de Sammaré (Shanghai), £150; Ho Tung, Esq., £100; amount collected on board s.s. "Calson," per F. J. Abbott, Esq., £25; Ho Fook, £40; Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, £25; Sir Henry May, Governor of Hongkong, £25; English ladies at Hongkong (collected at Bridge Turnament), £14 12s.; St. John's Jordan, £10; Mr. Pollock, Hongkong, £10; Sir Charles Dudgeon, £5; F. C. Blup, Esq., £2 2s.; and E. H. Tootal, £2 2s.

WHOOPIING COUGH.

WHEN your child has whooping cough be careful to keep the cough loose and expectoration easy by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as may be required. This remedy will also help the cough and make it easier to expectorate. It has been used successfully in many epidemics and as it contains no narcotic or other injurious substances, it is perfectly safe. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

NEW BALKAN WAR
IMPENDING.THE NEXT AUSTRO-BULGARIAN
OBJECTIVE.

London, Dec. 17.
The Italian Press states that the next Austro-Bulgarian objective will be Albania.

The Austrians propose to overrun Montenegro in their advance to San Giovanni, joining the Bulgarians advancing by El Basan and Jimna. Hence, Albania will shortly be the theatre of a new Balkan War, in which Italy is expected to play a principal part.

SERBIAN REFUGEES IN ALBANIA.

Several hundred Serbian women and children refugees in Albania are without food.

The American Government has ordered the Ambassador at Rome to charter all the steamers available and bring the refugees to Italy.

(Havas Service.)

Rome: Italy has landed an expeditionary corps in Albania.

THE SERBIAN ARMIES.

London, Dec. 17.
The Italian Press states that there are three Serbian Armies, totalling 150,000, between Scutari, Durazzo and El Basan, and another of 50,000 in Southern Albania.

HUNGARIAN POLITICAL LEADER'S
DEMAND FOR PEACE.

A CENSORED SPEECH.

London, Dec. 17.
The Budapest correspondent of the Morning Post, in a message dated the 7th inst., states that Count Károlyi, the leader of the Independent Party, speaking in Parliament, demanded that the Government should make peace proposals. He declared that Hungary had achieved all she wanted. If the Government was unable to comply with the wishes of the nation, it should resign. The transmission of this speech abroad was prohibited.

BALKAN CAMPAIGN.

GREEK FRONTIER QUIET.

Athens, Dec. 17.
All is quiet on the frontier, and the Bulgarians show no sign of advancing into Greek territory.

STATEMENT BY "BULGARIAN
LEGATION."

The Bulgarian Legation has issued a statement to the effect that Bulgaria has postponed operations against the Allies out of respect for the neutrality of Greece, which it will refrain from violating in the future. The Greek Government, in consequence of representations made to it, have "re-instructed" the frontier authorities to allow the retreating Serbians to enter Greece.

THE SITUATION AT SALONIKA.

Salonika, Dec. 17.
The departure of the bulk of the Greek troops has considerably eased the congestion in the town, to the great relief of the Allied troops. Although the danger of fighting near the town seems remote, numbers of German, Austrian and Turkish are departing daily. The German school closed yesterday.

SERBIAN TROOPS INCORPORATED
WITH BRITISH.

Athens, Dec. 11.
Large numbers of Serbian soldiers continue to arrive at Salonika, where they are being re-equipped into two battalions and incorporated with the British troops.

BULGARIAN EXACTIONS AGAINST
GREEKS.

Bitter complaints are reaching Athens of Bulgarian exactions on Greek inhabitants at Monastir.

CONSCRIPTION OR NOT?

RENEWED ACTIVITY OF ADVOCATES
AND OPPONENTS.

London, Dec. 17.
The eve of Mr. Asquith's speech on Lord Derby's campaign finds the supporters and opponents of Compulsory very active.

A deputation of Anti-Conscriptionist M.P.'s waited upon Mr. Asquith yesterday. It is understood that they urged that the returns were most satisfactory, and argued that single men who had not yet attested were not "slackers," for doubtless good reasons were preventing them joining the Army. The deputation pleaded that they be given another chance.

Mr. Asquith's reply is believed to have been non-committal.

The Daily News, under huge headlines, says that two million men, including over a quarter of a million direct enlistments, is freely mentioned in political circles as the total number secured by Lord Derby.

The "Unionist" papers are angry with the above-mentioned deputation and declare that the Anti-Conscriptionists have been trying to steal a march on their opponents by trying to undermine Mr. Asquith's pledge to the married men.

THE LATE CRISIS IN PERSIA.

DRAMATIC SCENE AT THE
PALACE.

London, Dec. 17.
A vivid account of the crisis in Persia in November has been received by Reuter's Agency in which is described a dramatic scene at the Palace on the 15th ult. when the young Shah was trying to decide whether to leave the Capital.

On one side were the functionaries doing their utmost to persuade him to leave, while on the other were Saunjanee Sulhanch and Sepahdar and Prince Firman Kirmah urging him to stay.

The boy ruler was distracted and sent four times for Colonel Wastdahl, the Chief of Police, asking his advice. Colonel Wastdahl replied that he was there to obey orders, and not to advise.

The Ministers, when appealed to by the Shah, did not know what to say, as they were overruled by the German party.

This state of hesitation lasted all the morning. In the afternoon, the British and Russian Ministers had an audience lasting two hours with the Shah, who, still remained undecided.

Finally the Shah summoned Colonel Wastdahl again and told him to dismiss the mounted police who were drawn up in front of the palace, as he had decided to remain. Meanwhile, at Shahrabad, the British and Russian diplomatic and consular staffs had repaired, the German staff were drawn up in review only with the enemy Ministers in full dress, awaiting the arrival of the Shah, whom they hoped to accompany to Isfahan. Their dismay was very great indeed when they learnt that the Shah had decided against them, and that the Allies had won the day.

(Havas Service.)

Paris, Dec. 16.
French stock now stands at 63.75. Usual cannonading prevailed. We brought down a German aircraft. 13 French airships effectively bombed an aviation camp east of Mulhausen. To-day between the Oise and the Aisne near Quenoverrières we exploded an ammunition depot.

If Lord Derby were not the ideal Recruiting Sergeant to the nation he would be the best possible Censor of its Press, says "The Globe." People have forgotten that he discharged this duty during the South African War, and that he did it with conspicuous success. Neither good news nor bad was kept back from the British public, not even during the "Black Week," and yet none of the Doer commanders could say that he ever derived any information useful to himself from the intelligence which Lord Derby allowed to be published.

WESTERN FRONT.

ENEMY BOMBARDMENT
SILENCED.

Paris, Dec. 17.
A communique states that the enemy bombardment east of Le Mesnil, Champagne, has been silenced by the French batteries. There has been a lively reciprocal cannonade in Lorraine.

THE BRITISH COMMANDERS.

TRIBUTES TO SIR JOHN FRENCH
AND SIR DOUGLAS HAIG.

London, Dec. 17.
The papers are unanimous in declaring that Field-Marshal Sir John French is assured of the lasting gratitude of the nation, and that he will still be precious to the country by giving most valuable assistance to Lord Kitchener.

The Times says: "Our best soldier is needed for the great task of arranging our Home defence and reorganising and preparing for service abroad the great masses of troops now scattered over the United Kingdom. It is impossible that Lord Kitchener can undertake such executive duties effectively. If Sir John French is given direct charge of a badly-needed reform will be accomplished. If, as we understand, a further strengthening of the Imperial General Staff is contemplated, then the changes will bring substantial advantages."

Tributes are also paid in the Press to General Sir Douglas Haig's brilliant leadership.

The French Press contains many appreciative notices of both Sir John French and Sir Douglas Haig. It appears that the latter is known among the French soldiers as "Légion de Salet."

Illustration says: "With a man of push like General Sir Douglas Haig at its head, the British Army will not sleep."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BALKAN CAMPAIGN.

COMPARATIVE QUIET
PREDICTED.

Salonika, Dec. 17.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters states that the situation threatens to enter a period of comparative quiet pending clearer revelations of the enemy's intentions regarding the invasion of Greek territory.

BULGARIANS AND THE ALLIES.

A captured Bulgarian officer remarked that the Bulgarians had completed their task, and had no wish to fight the Allies. This sentiment is so universally expressed by Bulgarian prisoners that it seems to reflect the feeling of the bulk of the army. There was a time during the retreat when the Bulgarian raid south of Lake Doiran might have proved disastrous, by the cutting of the British communications, but this was not attempted.

FUTURE OF SALONIKA.

Fears of an investment of Salonika in the near future are not entertained, as it will be a colossal task to bring up the necessary siege artillery owing to the roads being bad, the bridges having been blown up, and the railways being partly destroyed. The Germans may use the lull to bring further pressure on Greece to kick out the Allies, only preparing for further operations after perceiving the futility of this.

BRITISH CASUALTIES.

The total British casualties in the retreat were 900, including 500 wounded who were brought into safety. The balance are missing and must be regarded as mostly killed, because the Bulgars have been bayoneting and shooting the wounded.

KING OF GREECE INDISPOSED.

Athens, Dec. 16.
The King, though still indisposed, received the Premier in his bedroom and discussed the foreign situation, which is officially regarded as progressing normally.

ALLIES' MILITARY POSITION AT
SALONIKA.

London, Dec. 16.
In the House of Commons Lord Robert Cecil announced that the Allies in Greece desired to regularise their military position at Salonika. They deny that the Central Powers are in control of this. He believed that this was in accordance with the wishes of Greece herself. Negotiations were being actively pursued and it was hoped would be satisfactorily concluded.

MACEDONIA.

Paris, Dec. 17.
The evening communique says that all is quiet in Macedonia.

TURKISH LOSSES IN
MESOPOTAMIA.

London, Dec. 16.
General Townshend telegraphs that according to Arab reports the Turks lost 2,000 in their attack on Mosul. Amara on the 12th. General Townshend said he could not confirm the figures, but he estimates that the enemy lost fully 1,000. The attacks have not been renewed since.

ABYSSINIA AND THE WAR.

SUGGESTION FROM THE FRENCH
CHAMBER.

Paris, Dec. 16.
A motion was submitted to the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies asking the Government to institute in concert with the Allies an immediate enquiry with a view to obtaining the military cooperation of Abyssinia in the war.

AUSTRO-ITALIAN FRONT.

ENEMY ARTILLERY ACTIVE.

Rome, Dec. 17.
A communique says that the enemy continued intense artillery activity, especially with long range guns. Our guns replied and bombarded Gorizia.

UNITED STATES AND AUSTRIA.

RELATIONS AT BREAKING-POINT.

Washington, Dec. 17.
President Wilson and Mr. Lansing reserve comment on the Austrian reply to the Note regarding the Aegean outrage pending receipt of the official text, but it is stated authoritatively that the United States will decline to enter into the suggested exchange of views or discuss the facts. The general opinion is that the relations between the United States and Austria are at breaking-point.

COUNT BERNSTORFF ANXIOUS.

SIGNIFICANT SUGGESTION TO
BERLIN.

Washington, Dec. 17.
It is stated that Count Bernstorff suggests to Berlin that the appointment of successors to Captain Boy-Ed and Captain von Papen, the disgraced German Ambassadors at Washington, is undesirable at present, as he is anxious to avoid further difficulties.

BRITISH EXCHEQUER BONDS.

London, Dec. 16.
A Prospectus has been published of an issue of 5 per cent. Exchequer bonds at 100, repayable at par in 1920. They will be accepted at their face value for subscription to future loans. An interesting feature is that where they belong to a person domiciled abroad the bonds will be exempt from income-tax or any other British taxes.

UNPRECEDENTED RESPONSE TO
FRENCH WAR LOAN.

Paris, Dec. 17.
The Chamber of Deputies unanimously agreed to vote on account for the first three months of 1916. M. Ribot (Minister of Finance), winding up the debate, said he was as yet unable to give the results of the Loan just subscribed, but the response of the country was unprecedented. It was the loan of French thrift and was in nowise speculative. The foreign subscription included £25,000,000 by Great Britain.

SMUGGLING INTO GERMANY BY
PARCEL POST.

London, Dec. 16.
In the House of Commons Lord Robert Cecil said that considerable quantities of food were being sent to Germany by parcel post from America. Steps were being taken to deal with the matter effectively.

MR. CHURCHILL.

London, Dec. 16.
In the House of Commons Mr. H. J. Tennant said that he knew nothing of a promise to Mr. Winston Churchill that he would be given command of Brigade.

SIR JOHN JORDAN.

A RUMOUR DENIED.

London, Dec. 16.
In the House of Commons Lord Robert Cecil said that a Press report that H.E. Sir John Jordan, His Majesty's Minister at Peking, is shortly retiring is absolutely unfounded.

LAW OFFICERS' SELF-SACRIFICE.

London, Dec. 16.
The Attorney-General (Sir F. E. Smith K.C.) stated in the House of Commons that the Law Officers have suggested the reduction of their emoluments by £5,000 each yearly.

RANGE-FINDER FOR ZEPPELINS.

London, Dec. 17.
Mr. Tennant, Under-Secretary for War, stated in the House of Commons that the War Office had an efficient range-finder for Zeppelins.

FLYING CORPS CASUALTIES.

London, Dec. 16.
In the House of Commons Mr. Tennant said that the total casualties in the Flying Corps for the three months ending the 31st August were: Killed, 14; wounded, 22; prisoners, 18. The casualties for the three months ending the 30th November were: Killed, 11; wounded, 21; prisoners, 16; also ten missing.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(Wah Tai Yat Po's Service.)

PREPARATIONS FOR THE
CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT.

Peking, Dec. 16.
Prince Pu-Ean will probably succeed Li Yuan Hong as Chief of the State Council.

The costume of the Princes will be similar to that of the Mongolian Princes.

THE SHANGHAI OUTBREAK.

PUNISHMENT AND REWARDS.

Peking, Dec. 16.
A Mandate has been issued ordering the commander of the gunboat Shiao-wei (which was recently seized by a rebel band) to be deprived of his rank; Li Tseng-shan to be handed to the Naval Ministry for punishment; and Yeung Shiu-tak to be promoted to the second Order of Merit.

WORKSHOPS FOR THE POOR.

Peking, Dec. 16.
It is officially proposed to establish large workshops for providing employment for poor people.

MISS CAVELL'S MARTYRDOM.

Additional Facts of Arrest and
Trial.

A booklet, "The Martyrdom of Nurse Cavell," by Mr. William Thomson Hill, and published by Hutchinson and Co., at seven-pence net, is far more than the timely tract appealing to sentiment which is usual on a tragic occasion. It describes itself as "the life story of the victim of Germany's most barbarous crime." It is exactly that, and is evidently authoritative, with much information not hitherto published, and is written with admirable restraint and dignity. It should be read by everybody throughout the Empire and in neutral countries.

Miss Cavell was spending a holiday at home with her mother at Norwich when she heard the first warning of the war. "My duty is out there," said the nurse; "I shall be wanted."

It seems that Baron von Bissing soon formed a strong opinion of Miss Cavell's capacity and great courage. She was too calm in the midst of things which were doing a d d to daunt and alarm. "The same head that contrived her secret trial and execution directed, there is little reason to doubt, the weaving of the web which ensnared her."

"Early in the evening of August 5," Mr. Hill reminds us, "a loud knock came to the door of Nurse Cavell's hospital in the Rue de la Culture. Five heavily-booted German soldiers and a corporal stood outside with a police officer. At that very moment the nurse was changing the bandages of a wounded German. The soldiers broke open the door with the butt-ends of their rifles and rushed into the ward."

"There is something else the book reminds us of. Mr. Kirschen, the lawyer who agreed to undertake Miss Cavell's defence, told one of the friends of the nurse when her trial was coming on, and made no report on the progress of the trial, which lasted two days. 'He never delivered what the sentence was; and when Mr. de Lavey, a Belgian advocate, and the legal adviser to the American minister, sought out Mr. Kirschen, the man had disappeared.'

SPECULATION IN SHIPS ACTIVE.

There is a most active speculation in shipping. The price of ships is increasing by leaps and bounds, vessels on the stocks being sold and resold several times. The Christiania correspondent of "The Times" gives an example of this speculation. He says that last November a ship-owner of Skeia, in the south-east of Norway, ordered a ship of a Norwegian shipbuilder at the price of 310,000 kroner. The ship will not be finished until February next. It has nevertheless been sold four times already. Last January it was sold for 350,000 kroner, in April for 415,000 kroner, in June for 445,000 kroner, and still more recently it was bought for 600,000 kroner. The last buyer would sell it for 650,000 kroner, and there is every reason to think that before it can be employed the ship will continue to yield fair profits to new buyers. "The Times" remarks that this mad speculation shows that extreme prudence is advisable in the purchase of shipping in the north of Europe.

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LONDON & BOMBAY via NANKIN	Capt. G. M. M. M.	30th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, NELLORE	Capt. A. M. K.	About 31st Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON & BOMBAY via NOVARA	Capt. H. R. HENDERSON, R.N.R.	About 14th Jan.	Freight and Passage.

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STEAMER	CAPTAIN	DATE	TIME
S.S. 'TACOMA MARU'	Capt. T. Hamada	Saturday, 1st Jan.	at 3 p.m.
S.S. 'MANILA MARU'	Capt. M. M.	Tuesday, 4th Jan.	at 3 p.m.
S.S. 'LOREN MARU'	Capt. T. Miyata	Thursday, 23rd Dec.	at 7 a.m.
S.S. 'KALIO MARU'	Capt. M. M.	Sunday, 19th Dec.	at 10 a.m.
S.S. 'DAIJIN MARU'	Capt. S. Saito	Sunday, 26th Dec.	at 10 a.m.
S.S. 'BOHEU MARU'	Capt. A. Kobayashi	Wednesday, 22nd Dec.	at 5 a.m.

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S.S. 'BORNEO MARU'	For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	5th Jan.	
S.S. 'BANKI MARU'	For Batavia, Cherbon, Samarang, Sourabaya, Macassar & Balikpapan	24th Jan.	
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FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
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SWATOW & SINGAPORE	HUTCH	Dec. 19, at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	KANTOW	Dec. 20, at Noon
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	KANTOW	Dec. 21, at Noon
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	YINGCHOW	Dec. 21, at Noon
SHANGHAI	YINGCHOW	Dec. 21, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	SHANTUNG	Dec. 23, at 4 p.m.
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SHANGHAI	HOPSANG	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 23, Daylight
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	FOOSHING	FRIDAY, Dec. 24, at 3 p.m.
MANILA	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, Dec. 24, at 3 p.m.
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KIYO MARU	17,400-15 knots	Sat., 8th Jan. at Noon
OHIYO MARU	22,000-41 knots	Tues., 25th Jan. at Noon
PERSIA MARU	9,000-17 knots	Mon., 31st Jan. at Noon
TENYO MARU	22,000-41 knots	Tues., 15th Feb. at Noon
NIPPON MARU	11,000-15 knots	Tues., 29th Feb. at 10.30 a.m.
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VICTORIA, P.O. & SHANTUNG via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & YOKOHAMA	MISHIMA MARU, Capt. Wada, Tons 18,000	THURSDAY, 13th Jan., at Noon
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	YOKOHAMA MARU, Capt. Shinoda, Tons 18,500	THURSDAY, 23rd Dec., at Noon
SHANGHAI MOJI & KOBE	SHADO MARU, Capt. Taka, Tons 13,500	TUESDAY, 11th Jan., at Noon
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & BANGKOK	NIKKO MARU, Capt. Takeda, Tons 9,600	FRIDAY, 14th Jan., at 4 p.m.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA and COLOMBO	HITACHI MARU, Capt. Tominga, Tons 13,500	TUESDAY, 15th Feb., at 4 p.m.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. Sakamoto, Tons 8,000	SATURDAY, 25th Dec., at Noon
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SATSUTA MARU, Capt. T. Sato, Tons 16,000	FRIDAY, 31st Dec., at 10 a.m.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama	Yokohama
Dec. 4	NANKIN	Dec. 12	MOULTAN	1916	1916	
Dec. 18	NANKIN	Dec. 26	MOULTAN	Jan. 15	Jan. 23	
Jan. 2	NOVARA	Jan. 10	MOULTAN	Feb. 12	Feb. 19	
Jan. 16	NOVARA	Jan. 24	MOULTAN	Feb. 26	Mar. 4	
Jan. 30	SARUNIA	Feb. 7	MOULTAN	Mar. 11	Mar. 18	
Feb. 13	NANKIN	Feb. 21	MOULTAN	Mar. 25	Apr. 1	
Feb. 27	NANKIN	Mar. 6	MOULTAN	Apr. 8	Apr. 15	
Mar. 12	NOVARA	Mar. 20	MOULTAN	Apr. 22	Apr. 29	
Mar. 26	MALTA	Apr. 3	MOULTAN	May 6	May 13	

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Dec. 18	NANKIN	Dec. 26	MOULTAN	1916	1916	
Jan. 2	NOVARA	Jan. 10	MOULTAN	Feb. 12	Feb. 19	
Jan. 16	NOVARA	Jan. 24	MOULTAN	Feb. 26	Mar. 4	
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Mar. 12	NOVARA	Mar. 20	MOULTAN	Apr. 22	Apr. 29	
Mar. 26	MALTA	Apr. 3	MOULTAN	May 6	May 13	

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ESTABLISHED 1863.

PAID-UP CAPITAL—\$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS—\$15,000,000
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